

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (original) A spring-loaded compression cable grab for attaching a wire rope cable to a fixed object comprising,

a) a hollow cylindrical chuck having a first end and a second end, with a tapered socket formed within the hollow between the first end and the second end,

b) a pair of bifurcated arms attached onto said chuck for attachment of the spring-loaded compression cable grab,

c) a collet slideably disposed within the tapered socket of the hollow chuck, with said collet having a bore within an inside diameter compatible with a wire rope cable,

d) a hollow chuck cap attached to the chuck second end,

e) a compression spring disposed within the chuck between the collet and the chuck cap, urging the collet into the tapered socket such that after a cable has been inserted freely into the chuck's first end, the collet firmly grips the wire rope cable on the bore in the collet when a cable is pulled in an opposite direction, and

f) a hollow bolt threadably attached to the chuck first end, when said hollow bolt is rotated inwardly against the collet the collet is forced away from the tapered socket, thus releasing the grip for removal of the cable grab from a wire rope cable.

2. (original) The spring-loaded compression cable grab as recited in claim 1 wherein said hollow cylindrical chuck further comprises internal threads in the first end and internal threads in the second end for threadably receiving said hollow bolt in the first end and threadably receiving said hollow chuck cap in the second end.

3. (original) The spring-loaded compression cable grab as recited in claim 1 wherein said hollow cylindrical chuck further comprises a cylindrical configuration having a enlarged circular portion on the first end, with the circular portion having a pair of opposed flats configured to receive said bifurcated arms.